

**REDISTRICTING COMMISSION FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND
Meeting Minutes**

Friday, September 9, 2011, 3rd Floor Council Hearing Room, 3:17 pm to 3:44 pm

PRESENT

Commissioners: Lee Annis; Cherri Branson; Henry Kahwaty; Carmen Larsen; Jacqueline Phillips; Jonathan Shurberg; Don Spence; Jason Tai; Patti Jo Witham

Staff: Pamela Zorich and Jay Mukherjee, M-NCPPC; Jeff Zyontz and Susan Mabie, Council Staff; Sara Harris, Board of Elections Staff

Public Observers: Elaine Apter and Barbara Hankins (League of Women Voters); Eleanor Duckett and Judy Higgins (Kensington View); Bill Witham

Agenda:

- 1) Approval of minutes from September 1, 2011
- 2) Discussion / Approval of Council District Map
- 3) Approval for staff to complete the Commission's Report to the Council

Action:

- 1) September 1 minutes were approved.
- 2) After Commissioner Kahwaty presented his thoughts regarding his proposed map, Commissioner Phillips made a motion to recommend the Kahwaty map to the Council by a vote of the Commission. Commissioner Kahwaty seconded the motion. The motion was defeated (4y; 5n).
- 3) After Commissioner Spence presented his thoughts regarding his proposed map, Commissioner Larsen made a motion to recommend the Spence map to the Council. Commissioner Shurberg seconded the motion. The motion was passed (5y; 4n).
- 4) J. Zyontz was authorized by the Commissioners to complete the Commission's Report to the Council with the approval of the Chair and Vice Chair.

Requests:

- 1) J. Zyontz will finish writing the draft Commission Report with the redistricting map recommended by the Commission. To be added are: a legal description; a list of precincts; a description of statistics based on the new districts; and reasons to support the recommended redistricting map. J. Zyontz will circulate the Report to Commissioners before publication.
- 2) Commissioners were invited to attend the presentation of the Report to the Council on October 4, 2011.